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PATENT APPLICATION

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OF USING SAME

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the March 3, 2010 Final Office Action, applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application within the shortened statutory period – June 3, 2010. Thus, this RCE is timely filed and no extension fee is due.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this paper.

Application No. 10/598,965 Amendment and Reply Accompanying RCE dated June 3, 2010 In Response to Final Office Action dated March 3, 2010

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.